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SUBJECT: ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

1. ISRAELI PRESS HAS GIVEN PROMINENT COVERAGE ARAB BOYCOTT ISSUES LAST FEW DAYS. PRESIDENT FORD'S STATEMENT FEB 26 AGAINST RELIGIOUS OR ETHNIC DISCRIMINATION GIVEN WIDE AND FAVORABLE COVERAGE IN PRESS, BUT NO OFFICIAL REACTION REPORTED THUS FAR. ARAB BOYCOTT COMMISSION MEETING IN CAIRO ALSO GENERATED PRESS INTEREST.

2. PRESS HAS FEATURED ACCOUNTS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST JEWS IN U.S. ARMED FORCES AND AGAINST CORPORATIONS WHICH DO BUSINESS WITH ISRAEL, MOST REPORTS HAVE HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCED INVESTIGATION OF BOYCOTT PRACTICES BY STATE/TREASURY/JUSTICE DEPTS AS WELL AS PRACTICE OF ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS NOT ASSIGNING JEWS TO ARAB COUNTRIES. WIDE COVERAGE ALSO GIVEN TO TREASURY SPOKESMAN'S REPORTED COMMENT THAT U.S. COMPANIES WHICH COOPERATE WITH ARAB BOYCOTT ARE LIABLE TO EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO LEGAL ACTION, BUT PRESS HAS NOTED THAT SUCH ACTIONS NOT SPECIFIED. ALSO SOME SPECULATION THAT CONGRESS WILL ACT AGAINST COMPANIES COMPLYING WITH BOYCOTT. KEATING

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